



# Exeter Christian Reformed Church

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**Sunday, November 3, 2024**

**Worship: 10am**

**Teacher: Pastor Jay Crossen**

**Musicians: Steve, Kid's Choir**

## God Gathers Us in His Presence

- Words of Welcome
- \* Call to Worship
- \* Song: **Lord I Life Your Name on High** LUYH #10
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Song: **Build Your Kingdom**

## God Renews Us in His Grace

- Prayer of Confession
- God's Assurance
- Song: **Amazing Grace** LUYH #691

## God Speaks to Us Through His Word

- Children's Message
- Children's Song: **He's Got the Whole World in His Hands** LUYH #26
- Children aged 3 – Grade 6 are dismissed for Sunday School
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: **Matthew 9:35-38, Mark 6:6-13, Acts 2:46-47**
- Message: **Why Church? We Gather for Mission**
- \* Song of Response: **Lord Speak to Me** LUYH #754

## God Calls Us to Respond with Prayers and Offerings

- Announcements
- Prayers of God's People
- Offering: This week the Deacons will be using your gifts to support **Teen Challenge**
- Etransfers may be sent to [ecrcgiving@gmail.com](mailto:ecrcgiving@gmail.com)
- Offertory: **Instrumental**
- Beyond the Pew: **Fotocan 2025 Presentation**

## God Sends Us Out to Serve with His Blessing

- \* God's Sending and Blessing
- \* Song: **A Mighty Fortress is our God** LUYH #776

\* Indicates to please stand if you are able

**LUYH** stands for Lift Up Your Hearts (the red song book in the pews)

## Gathering for Worship

**LARGE PRINT** copies of the Lift Up Your Hearts hymn book are available for use during worship. They are located on the bookcase in the foyer next to the administrator's office. Large print copies of songs not in LUYH are available from the ushers.

**Nursery and Sunday School** programs will be available during the church service for those parents who wish their children to participate. **We have classes for children aged 3 – Grade 6.** Children will be dismissed during the worship gathering. The Education Committee, Sunday School, and Nursery, with the support of Council, have developed a plan to safely care for your children.

Exeter CRC strives to be a healthy community. If you are feeling unwell in any way join our worship gathering on-line. We continue to worship together as a community of God's people. **YouTube:** <https://bit.ly/3yYa4ze>



Exeter CRC is accessible for those with hearing impairment. If you are hard of hearing, please have an usher direct you to the sound booth for an assistive device.

## From the Deacons

The offering this Sunday and the week ahead is for the **Teen Challenge**

**November 10:** World Renew – World Hunger

**November 17:** Christian Schools Bursary Fund

**November 24:** Deacons - Benevolence



The Deacons will collect your offering during the worship service. You can also respond with your offering by e-transfer to [ecrcgiving@gmail.com](mailto:ecrcgiving@gmail.com). Please state in the memo the cause(s) you are supporting. Coupons for the offering are still available. Please ask one of the deacons for assistance if you are interested in buying coupons.



**MemberCare\*** is a free counselling program for Exeter CRC members provided through By Peaceful Waters. Please call **519-886-8577** or email [mail@bypeacefulwaters.ca](mailto:mail@bypeacefulwaters.ca) for more information.

## Our Church Family

**Calendar of Events:** One of the features of our website is a calendar of meetings and events to help keep you up to date. Click on this [link](#) to have a look at everything happening at ECRC.

After a period of illness, the Lord has called **Julie Visscher** to His Eternal Home. The families of Teresa & Mike Buckman, Harry and Marg Knip, Julia and Tom Dickens and Bert and Wilma Visscher along with their extended family, would like to express their deepest gratitude to mom's congregational family and friends who have shown so much love to her over the years with all the visits, calls, and prayers. Mom felt so loved by all. Visitation will take place on Tuesday, November 5, 2-4pm & 7-9pm at the Haskett Funeral Home in Exeter with the funeral service to be held at the Exeter CRC, Wednesday, November 6 at 11:00 am.

We grieve with the family of **Alfred deGroot**, a former member of this congregation. Please continue to keep his family in your prayers.

**For those who have a prayer request or are sharing a thanksgiving, please feel free to include it on the church's Facebook page, or please contact your elder or the church office if you wish to include it in the bulletin or The Bridge App.**

## Exeter CRC Announcements

**Calling all grades 7&8 students!** Catechism class is starting up again and will meet weekly on Sunday's during November and into December – for six weeks. We are looking forward to seeing you in class as we grow in God's word together!

## From the CRCNA and the Broader Community

**Huron Christian School:** The HCS 37th Annual Auction kicks off with the online portion on Thursday, November 21, closing Friday at 9 PM. The live auction will take place on Saturday, November 23, with bidding starting at 7 PM in the school gym. The website link and booklet will be available next week. Reach out to [auction@huronchristianschool.ca](mailto:auction@huronchristianschool.ca) with any questions.

**Celebrating 75 years of God's Faithfulness:** The Clinton Christian Reformed Church is celebrating the goodness of God and His faithfulness over 75 years on **Sunday, November 17, 2024**. You are invited to join us in worship at **10:00 am** and for refreshments afterwards.

**Securing Your Legacy, Tips on Doing it Well:** You are invited to attend a free seminar hosted on **Monday, November 4 at 1:00 at the Stratford Christian Reformed Church (190 Athlone Crescent, Stratford)**. Through this seminar you will see the benefit of preplanning your wills, memorials, funeral arrangements, possessions and so much more. By taking certain steps today, your loved ones won't have to make decisions while struggling with the questions, "What would they have wanted?" or regretting decisions they were forced to make amid grief. This seminar is led by Joanne Schreuders, a widow, retired homeschool mom of ten, speaker and author. Her latest book is called, *Doing It Well - Walking Through Cancer with Hope*. It is a book about her husband's cancer journey and how he prepared the family for after he was gone. She is now feeling God calling her to speak to others on this topic. You can RSVP to [joanne@joanne.biz](mailto:joanne@joanne.biz).

**SOCO Beach Project Rental Ministry:** Recruitment has begun for SOCO 2025. If you are a young adult between 18 - 29, check out this opportunity. Read about some timely resources and don't forget about the rental ministry! Check it out in this week's newsletter: <https://mailchi.mp/southcoastbeachproject/soco-update-october-31-8565484>

**Fotocan Service Trip:** The plan is to go to the Dominican Republic from February 1<sup>st</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Projects include building a stand-alone kitchen, painting a house, putting a new roof on the arts and crafts building, siding the bicycle shed and repairing sidewalks and curbs. There will also be time to spend with the children. The cost is \$2000 per adult and \$1800 for students plus airfare. A tax receipt can be issued for the total including airfare. There will be an information and sign-up night on Wednesday, November 13 @ 7:30PM at the Clinton CRC. You can also contact by text Andy 226 973 2343, Margot 519 860 9530 or email [mandauyl@gmail.com](mailto:mandauyl@gmail.com).

**This Week: November 3 - 9**

<p><u>Sunday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Worship: 10am</li> <li>➤ Sunday School</li> <li>➤ Catechism: Grades 7/8</li> </ul>	<p><u>Monday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ GEMS: 7:00pm</li> <li>➤ Christmas Choir – 7:30pm</li> </ul>	<p><u>Tuesday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Youth Group: 7pm</li> </ul>	<p><u>Wednesday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Julie Visscher funeral: 11am</li> </ul>	<p><u>Thursday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Cadets: 7pm</li> <li>➤ Praise Team Practice: 7:30pm</li> <li>➤ Council Meeting: 7:30pm</li> </ul>	<p><u>Friday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Alpha: 6pm</li> </ul>	<p><u>Saturday</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤</li> </ul>
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**SERVING SCHEDULE**

	<b>November 3</b>	<b>November 10</b>	<b>November 17</b>	<b>November 24</b>
<b>Elder</b>	Al Heyink	Gerald Kodde	Joe Lubbers	Jason Mulder
<b>Deacon</b>	Harry Knip, Dianne Soer	Dianne Soer, Connor VanSoest	Connor VanSoest, Joy DeWeerd	Joy DeWeerd, Harry Knip
<b>Coffee Clean-Up</b>	Aaron & Jolene DeBoer Tony & Marian DeBoer	Ron & Rolinda deRuijter Tim & Joy DeWeerd	Sandra Ducharme Harm & Jennifer Garritsen	Job & Laura Garritsen Al & Sylvia Heyink
<b>Greeters</b>	Kathryn Langendyk, Wibbina Toonk	Clarence Toornstra, Sam Vanderlaan	Lori Triebner, Norma Vanderlaan	Jean Vanderlaan, Albert Hummel
<b>Ushers</b>	Connor VanSoest, Wilma Visscher	Jake Zantingh, Tim DeWeerd	Al Heyink, Sylvia Hulshof	Harry Knip, Cliff Knip
<b>Children's Storyteller</b>	Leo Weverink	Joan Brady		Bert Visscher
<b>Nursery</b>	Karen Knip, Sarah Mulder, Avery Poortinga	Marg Knip, Sylvia Heyink, Layla DenHollander	Joanne Branderhorst, Amanda Desgagne	Yvonne Van Soest, Laura Garritsen, Sydney Lubbers
<b>Sunday School</b>	Joyce Pelley, Jody Mulder, Carly Ducharme, Bill Branderhorst, Joy DeWeerd	Joyce Pelley, Jody Mulder, Carly Ducharme, Bill Branderhorst, Joy DeWeerd	Joyce Pelley, Jody Mulder, Carly Ducharme, Bill Branderhorst, Joy DeWeerd	Joyce Pelley, Jody Mulder, Carly Ducharme, Bill Branderhorst, Joy DeWeerd